GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2667
ANSWERED ON:14.03.2001
AMENDMENT IN INDIAN MEDICAL COUNCIL ACT
MOHAMMED SHAHABUDDIN

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have completed the process of making necessary amendments in the Indian Medical Council Act in which Government and Private hospitals have been directed to make available the certified copy of medical record of patients to their relatives;

(b) if so, the time by which Government are considering to move this amendment in Parliament for consideration; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) to (c) There is no proposal to amend the Indian Medical Council Act to direct the Government andPrivate hospitals to make available the certified copy of medical record of patients to their relatives. However, the Government have framed a draft legislation to provide the maintenance of records in clinical establishments and matters connected therewith or incidental thereto. The draft legislation has been circulated among all the State Governments to invite their comments on the same.